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FOLLOWING REPEAT ISLAMABAD 1557 SENT ACTION SECSTATE FEB 13.

QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L ISLAMABAD 1557

FOR NEA DPTY ASST SEC SOBER FROM AMBASSADOR

PASS S/NM AND DEA/HQ/ENOM

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SNAR, PK

SUBJECT: HEROIN LABS

1. AS YOU KNOW, I ALERTED GENERAL ZIA AT NEW YEAR TO THE HEROIN LABORATORIES OPERATING IN THE NORTHWEST FRONTIER PROVINCES AND SECURED A CLEAR PROMISE FROM HIM TO MOVE AGAINST THEM PROMPTLY (ISLAMABAD 0027). WHEN THE LABORATORIES WERE STILL OPERATING IN THE FIRST WEEK OF FEBRUARY, I WROTE ZIA REMINDING HIM OF HIS COMMITMENT AND TELLING HIM NO ACTION HAD BEEN TAKEN (ISLAMABAD 1386). I GOT AN ANSWER BACK THAT WAS DISTURBINGLY OPEN-ENDED IN ITS PROMISE OF ACTION. STILL NO ACTION HAS BEEN TAKEN AND OBVIOUS LEAKS HAVE PERMITTED OPERATORS TO MOVE THEIR LABS ELSEWHERE.

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2. I PROPOSE TO TALK TO ZIA ABOUT THE MATTER SOON. AS A PARALLEL COURSE OF APPROACH, I THINK YOU MIGHT CALL IN AMB YAQUB KHAN AND REVIEW THE COURSE OF EVENTS WITH HIM, STRESSING OUR DISMAY THAT NO ACTION HAS BEEN TAKEN ON THIS SERIOUS PROBLEM OF MUTUAL CONCERN TO US AND THE GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN DESPITE AN UNEQUIVOCAL COMMITMENT TO ME BY THE CHIEF MARTIAL LAW

ADMINISTRATOR, GIVEN SIX WEEKS AGO.

3. I SUGGEST YOU REMIND YAQUB KHAN THAT BHUTTO RESPONDED PROMPTLY
AND EFFECTIVELY TO A SIMILAR REQUEST FROM AMB BYROADE IN APRIL
1976 AND CLOSED DOWN A MORPHINE-BASE LABORATORY IN SWAT WHICH IS
ALSO IN THE TRIBAL AREAS.
HUMMEL UNQUOTE VANCE

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